

**ABSTRACT**

A method and system for representing objects in a relational database is provided. In one aspect, the invention provides a method and system for storing directory information objects in a relational database management system. In addition, a method and system for  
5 generating a statement in a database query language to search or manipulate objects or entries that are stored in a relational database is disclosed. An aspect of the invention is directed to a method and system that can automatically generate a SQL statement for an LDAP search filter.